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SUBJECT: FY-77 IV PROGRAM-NOMINATION OF JOSE GERBASI

FOR FY-77 IV GRANT

1. POST NOMINATES JOSE GERBASI, LEADING ECONOMIC WRITER FOR CARACAS DAILY EL NACIONAL FOR FY-77 IV GRANT COVERING INTERNATIONAL AND U.S. DOMESTIC TRAVEL AND PER DIEM FOR TWO WEEKS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 11.

2. ONE OF THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS AND RESPECTED VENEZUELAN JOURNALISTS GERBASI WOULD COVER U.S. ELECTION ACTIVITIES. POST BELIEVES FOREIGN PRESS CENTER COULD PROVIDE EXCELLENT PROGRAMMING THIS PURPOSE, DIRECTOR HENRY MILLER HAS AGREED VIA TELECON ASSIST IN ORGANIZING SCHEDULE AND PROGRAMMING. MAJOR PURPOSE GERBASI VISIT TO JOIN FOR AT LEAST PART OF ONE WEEK GROUP OF JOURNALISTS ACCOMPANYING EACH OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES. IN ADDITION, WOULD LIKE INTERVIEWS WITH POLITICAL LEADERS BOTH PARTIES AND ECONOMIC EXPERTS CONNECTED WITH CAMPAIGNS.

3. CLEARANCE OBTAINED. NOT A FORMER GRANTEE.

4. BIODATA: BORN NOVEMBER 24, 1922, CONOABO, CARABOBO STATE, MARRIED. GRADUATE IN JOURNALISM, UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA AND GRADUATE STUDIES IN U.S. DECEMBER 1946-SEPTEMBER 1947 (MINNEAPOLIS). FORMER POSITIONS INCLUDE SECRETARY OF JOURNALISM SCHOOL OF UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL, UNCLASSIFIED

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBER FOR SUCRE DISTRICT/CARACAS, AND

EDITOR OF EL CARABOBENO, VALENCIA. MEMBER OF VENEZUELAN
ASSOCIATION OF NEWSPAPERMEN AND PRESIDENT OF THE NEWSPAPER-
MEN'S INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AFFAIRS. AUTHOR OF PAMPHLETS ON
JOURNALISM. ENGLISH FAIR, REQUIRES ESCORT-INTERPRETER. HAS
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